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SUBJECT: UNCTAD-INVISIBLES DIVISION

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1. THE POST OF DIRECTOR, INVISIBLES DIVISION, NO LONGER EXISTS IN UNCTAD. INVISIBLES ARE NOW HANDLED THREE SEPARATE DIVISIONS-SHIPPING, INSURANCE AND TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY. ACCORDING RELIABLE SOURCE, STANLEY STURMEY (AUSTRALIAN), PRESENT ACTING DIRECTOR SHIPPING DIVISION, WILL LEAVE POST AT END OF 1975 BECAUSE OF STRONG DISAGREEMENT WITH SYG COREA WHO HAS REFUSED TO MAKE HIM DIRECTOR (VICE ACTING). AUSTRALIAN PERMREP GENEVA ATTEMPTING TO RECRUIT ROBERT RAMSEY, PRESENTLY SHIPPING ADVISOR TO THAI GOVERNMENT, TO FILL DIRECTOR POST. RAMSEY DESCRIBED AS LAWYER, WITH MASTER'S TICKET, FORMER EMPLOYEE OF ECAFE IN SHIPPING MATTERS, AND FORMER AUSTRALIAN DELEGATE TO SHIPPING COMMITTEE SESSIONS.

2. COMMENT: WE BELIEVE THAT IT WOULD BE VERY DIFFICULT TO PLACE HIGH LEVEL U.S. CITIZEN IN SHIPPING DIVISION IN VIEW LACK OF SYMPATHY U.S. POSITION WITH OBJECTIVES OF LDC'S IN SHIPPING AREAS. WE ALSO CONCERNED THAT EVEN RAMSEY MAY PROVE UNACCEPTABLE AND BELIEVE THAT UNCTAD WILL ATTEMPT TO RECRUIT LDC SHIPPING PERSONALITY FOR JOB. SINCE 1976-77 BUDGET FOR UNCTAD DOES NOT CALL FOR ANY ADDITIONAL POSITIONS TO BE CREATED AND NO OTHER TURN-LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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